

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7535

Investigation into: (1) petition of AARP, for the)
establishment of reduced rates for low-income)
consumers of Green Mountain Power Corporation and)
Central Vermont Public Service Corporation; and (2) as)
expanded to possibly include general applicability to all)
Vermont retail electric utilities)

Order entered: 11/6/2009

SCHEDULING ORDER

On September 21, 2009, the Vermont Public Service Board issued an Order expanding the scope of the investigation in this docket. October 29, 2009, I convened a status conference in this docket to revisit the schedule set forth in the Procedural Order issued on August 21, 2009. At the status conference, the following parties entered appearances: Sarah Hoffman, Esq., for the Vermont Department of Public Service ("DPS"); James A. Dumont, Esq., for AARP; Mary Morris for Green Mountain Power Corporation ("GMP"); Jeanne E. Burns, Esq., for Central Vermont Public Service Corporation ("CVPS"); David John Mullett, Esq., for the Group of Municipal Electric Utilities ("GMEU")¹; Avram Patt for Washington Electric Cooperative, Inc.; J. Randall Pratt for Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Colin K. McNeil, Esq., McNeil Leddy & Sheehan, on behalf of City of Burlington Electric Department; Ellen Burt for Town of Stowe Electric Department; William J. McCarthy, Esq., Couch White LLP, on behalf of International Business Machines Corporation ("IBM"); and Edward V. Schwiebert, Esq.,² Kenlan, Schwiebert, Facey & Goss on behalf of Vermont Marble Power Division of OMYA.

1. The GMEU consists of: Barton Village, Inc. Electric Department, Village of Enosburg Falls Water & Light Department, Town of Hardwick Electric Department, Village of Hyde Park Electric Department, Village of Jacksonville Electric Company, Village of Johnson Water & Light Department, Village of Ludlow Electric Light Department, Village of Lyndonville Electric Department, Village of Morrisville Water & Light Department, Village of Northfield Electric Department, Village of Orleans, Inc. Electric Department, Town of Readsboro Electric Department, Swanton Village, Inc. Electric Department

2. Mr. Schwiebert participated by telephone.

At the status conference, AARP agreed to prefile supplemental direct testimony to incorporate the substance of a letter AARP filed with the Board on October 13, 2009, that responded to the Board's Order of September 21, 2009.

The parties agreed to the following revised procedural schedule, which I hereby adopt:³

November 2, 2009	AARP files supplemental direct testimony.
November 9, 2009	First round of discovery served by all parties excluding DPS, GMP and CVPS on both the initial direct testimony of AARP and the supplemental direct testimony of AARP dated November 2, 2009. First round of discovery served by DPS, GMP and CVPS on the supplemental direct testimony of AARP dated November 2, 2009.
November 23, 2009	AARP responses to all discovery served on November 9, 2009.
December 4, 2009	Second round of discovery to be served on AARP by all parties on both the initial direct testimony of AARP and the supplemental direct testimony of AARP dated November 2, 2009.
December 18, 2009	AARP responses to 2 nd round of discovery served on December 4, 2009.
January 8, 2010	Prefiled direct testimony to be filed by all parties except for AARP.
January 19, 2010 ⁴	First round of discovery to be served by AARP on all parties.
January 29, 2010	All parties' responses to AARP's first round of discovery questions served on January 19, 2010.
February 5, 2010	Second round of discovery to be served by AARP on all parties.
February 18, 2010	All parties' responses to AARP's second round of discovery questions served on February 5, 2010.

3. As we discussed at the status conference, the filing deadlines in this Order correspond to the due dates for electronic service of the documents to be made, with the submission of hard copy filings to the Board the next day. The parties agreed to accept electronic service of testimony among themselves as well.

4. Per discussion at the Status Conference, the January 18th date agreed to by the parties falls on a holiday. Therefore the date has been changed to the 19th.

March 3, 2010	AARP files rebuttal testimony.
March 15, 2010	All parties serve discovery on AARP's rebuttal testimony.
March 22, 2010	AARP responses to the discovery served on March 15, 2009.
Week of April 5, 2010 or April 12, 2010	Technical hearings – precise dates to be determined.

The parties also proposed at the status conference to coordinate among themselves to schedule telephone or live depositions they may wish to conduct in place of written discovery.

The parties also agreed that any surrebuttal testimony to AARP's rebuttal testimony would be live testimony provided at the time of the technical hearings.

So ORDERED.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 6th day of November, 2009.

s/J. Riley Allen
J. Riley Allen
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: November 6, 2009

ATTEST: s/Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board

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